

I think we all agree all elections in the U.S. are part of what makes America great, and this seems a particularly heartfelt, controversial and important election.

Accordingly, Sinclair Broadcasting is operating way beyond its charter to be serving the community when it plans to air a controversial, extremely one-sided, and seemingly politically-motivated documentary about John Kerry in the very days before the election.

This goes against their charter and FCC regulations as I understand them.

I ask that FCC rules be enforced, and they be forced to cease their plans to air this film or at the very least to give exactly equal time, following the broadcast to an equivalent film expressing the opposing point of view such as "Brothers in Arms" by Paul Alexander - or another equal-time form of programming chosen by the Kerry campaign.

It is abhorrent that a television entity under the guidelines of your charter can try to sway our political process in this clearly partisan way and also to force their satellite stations to follow suit. It highlights the perils of allowing so much media consolidation in the first place.

Let's just say that vaste numbers of the public are watching the results of this with great interest, and we do plan to take action to make sure that essential fairness and impartiality in the news media is restored and maintained.

Sincerely,
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